

Amendments to the Specification

IN THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION

Please replace the BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS section with the marked-up copy of the section enclosed herewith.

---Figure 1 shows schematically apparatus for identifying addresses on envelopes;

Figure 2 shows schematically an embodiment of the invention for isolating text blocks in a document image;

~~Figure 3 shows~~ Figures 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D, 3E and 3F show schematically how segmentation from global background information is used to assist in the creation of clusters of related text objects;

~~Figure 4 shows~~ Figures 4A, 4B and 4C show schematically how segmentation from local minimum greyscale information is used to assist in the creation of clusters of related text objects; and

Figure 5 shows schematically an embodiment of the invention being used in the example of identifying addresses on complex envelopes.---